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25X1 The Fuerstenwalde (N 53/V 33) airfield has been again under improvement since 1 February 1950. Grading work was completed and the construction of runways and landing strips started. Excavation work was being done by German laborers and technical work by Soviet soldiers. The Soviet fatigue detail of about 150 men, allegedly from Frankfurt/Oder (O 53/V 63), was quartered in the field cantonment buildings. The Soviets wore black, some of them blue service color.

25X1 Comment:

The correctness of this information cannot be rated as no other reports on improvement work at the field have been received. The alleged construction of a runway is doubted since two concrete runways (of 1,200-meter and 500-meter length) already exist at the field.

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